

REMARKS

Status Summary

Claims 1-19 were originally filed with this patent application. Claims 1-19 are presently pending in this application. Claim 10 presently stands objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being in improper form. Claims 1-9 and 11-19 are allowed. The specification presently stands objected to due to informalities. Therefore, claims 1-19 will be pending upon entry of this amendment.

Objection under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c)

Claim 10 presently stands rejected under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being in improper form due to its dependency on multiple claims.

Applicant respectfully notes that a preliminary amendment was filed by Applicant on March 24, 2004. The preliminary amendment included an amended set of claims, which are reproduced above for the Examiner's convenience. In the preliminary amendment, claim 10 was amended to depend only from claim 1. As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection of claim 10 as being in improper multiple dependent form be withdrawn.

Specification Objections

The Examiner has provided guidelines for the arrangement of the specification. Applicant respectfully submits that the preliminary amendment filed

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on March 24, 2004, places the specification in the proper format as suggested by the guidelines.

Furthermore, the Examiner has objected to informalities in the specification. The informalities have been corrected, as amended above.

It is respectfully submitted that the specification should now be in proper condition for allowance.

Allowable Claims

Applicant appreciates the indication by the Examiner that claims 1-9 and 11-19 are allowable.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in proper condition for allowance, and an early notice to such effect is earnestly solicited.

If any small matter should remain outstanding after the Patent Examiner has had an opportunity to review the above Remarks, the Patent Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned patent attorney in order to resolve these matters and avoid the issuance of another Official Action.

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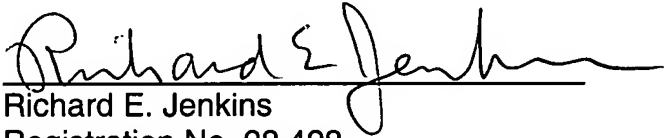
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

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